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IN THE CLAIMS

Applicants have revised the claim amendments in compliance with the voluntary revised amendment practice. Below is a listing of all claims in the above-identified application, along with an indication of their status.

Claims 1-56 (canceled)

E(Claim ¹/~~57~~ (previously presented): A method for treating a dermatologic condition in an animal, which comprises:

topically applying to said animal a therapeutically effective dose of a gelled composition for treating said dermatologic condition comprising a polymer matrix which is suspended in a liquid medium;

wherein the polymer matrix contains sodium hyaluronate in combination with a nonionic polymer.

Claim ²/~~58~~ (previously presented): The method of claim ¹/~~57~~, wherein said condition is a pressure sore.

Claim ³/~~59~~ (previously presented): The method of claim ¹/~~57~~, wherein said condition is dermatitis.

Claim ~~60~~⁴ (previously presented): The method of claim ~~57~~¹, wherein said condition is atopic dermatitis.

Claim ~~61~~⁵ (previously presented): A method for treating a dermatologic condition in an animal, which comprises:

topically applying to said animal a gelled composition comprising a therapeutically effective dose of a drug for treating the dermatologic condition uniformly distributed in a polymer matrix which is suspended in a liquid medium;

wherein the polymer matrix contains sodium hyaluronate in combination with a nonionic polymer.

Claim ~~62~~⁶ (currently amended): The method of claim ~~61~~⁵, wherein the drug for treating said dermatologic condition is selected from the group consisting of an amebicide, a broad spectrum antibiotic, a medium spectrum antibiotic, a fungal medication, a monobactam, an anti-viral agent, erythromycin, penicillin, cephalosporin, a ~~derivative thereof~~ and a combination thereof.

Claim ~~63~~⁷ (previously presented): The method of claim ~~61~~⁵, wherein said dermatologic condition is a pressure sore.

Claim ~~64~~⁸ (previously presented): The method of claim ~~61~~⁵, wherein said dermatologic condition is dermatitis.

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Claim ⁹~~65~~ (previously presented): The method of claim ⁵~~61~~, wherein said dermatologic condition is atopic dermatitis.

Claim ¹⁰~~66~~ (previously presented): A method for treating a dermatologic condition in an animal, which comprises:

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Cont topically applying to said animal a gelled composition comprising a therapeutically effective dose of a vitamin compound distributed in a polymer matrix which is suspended in a liquid medium;

wherein the polymer matrix contains sodium hyaluronate in combination with a nonionic polymer.

Claim ¹¹~~67~~ (currently amended): The method of claim ¹⁰~~66~~, wherein said vitamin compound is selected from the group consisting of a B complex vitamin, vitamin C, folic acid, ~~a derivative thereof~~ and a combination thereof.

Claim ¹²~~68~~ (currently amended): The method of claim ¹¹~~67~~, wherein said B complex vitamin is pantothenic acid ~~or a derivative thereof~~.

Claim ¹³~~69~~ (currently amended): The method of claim ¹¹~~67~~, wherein said ~~derivative~~ B complex vitamin is sodium pantothenate.

Claim ¹⁴~~70~~ (previously presented): The method of claim ¹⁰~~66~~, wherein the condition is a pressure sore.

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~~E~~ Claim ¹⁵ 71 (previously presented): The method of claim ¹⁰ 66,
wherein the condition is dermatitis.
